

Natural gas well exploration continues in Nettie area

Exploration is continuing in the Nettie area for natural gas.

Tirana Energy of Charleston is currently in the process of drilling additional wells in hopes of finding a large natural gas reservoir.

Ray Prudnick, vice-president of engineering and operations for Tirana Energy, said the company is currently drilling three natural gas wells on Lower Panther Creek Road off Route 39/55 just east of Nettie.

Over the past year, the company drilled a natural gas well near the department of Highways garage off Route 20 near Holcomb and two additional wells on Airport Road near Fenwick Mountain. The wells are part of the Marcellus Reservoir, which includes portions of West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Prudnick said the three natural

gas wells being explored on Lower Panther Creek Road are on property for which the surface rights are owned by Plum Creek Timber Co. and the mineral rights owned by Natural Resource Partners of Huntington.

Despite rumors to the contrary, Prudnick said there have been no large-sized natural gas wells discovered on Lower Panther Creek Road.

Prudnick said Tirana Energy is continuing to conduct exploratory drilling to determine the quantity of the natural gas reservoirs.

Over the next two months, Prudnick said Tirana Energy will continue to further drill for natural gas and determine if the size of the reservoirs is worth laying a pipeline to extract the natural gas.



A view of the ongoing natural gas drilling operation on Lower Panther Creek Road

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